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### **Billions in SB 1 Funding Approved for Congestion Relief, Freight and Local Projects**

**SAN BERNARDINO**—Caltrans announced yesterday that \$2.7 billion in competitive grants funded through the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB 1) were awarded to 64 projects throughout California to tackle congestion, support valuable trade corridors and bolster local agency efforts to invest in transportation. These three programs, the Solutions for Congested Corridors, Trade Corridor Enhancement and Local Partnership Programs are vital infrastructure improvement programs created by SB 1.

“California is expected to keep growing, both economically and in population,” said Caltrans Director Laurie Berman. “These projects funded by SB 1 will help to ensure that we can keep our economy moving and growing, and ease commutes for our residents so they can move efficiently between destinations.”

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) approved the grants for these three competitive grants during their May commission meeting in San Diego:

#### **Local Partnership Competitive Program**

The CTC awarded approximately \$309 million to 27 projects to fund transportation improvements valued at more than \$1.7 billion. This funding represents three years (fiscal years 2017-20) of matching funds for local entities that have already chosen to make their own investments in transportation.

The Local Partnership Program (LPP) was created by SB 1 to provide counties, cities and regional transportation agencies that have passed sales tax measures, developer fees or other voter-approved transportation fees with additional support for local projects from the State. The LPP creates a continuous appropriation of \$200 million annually to fund road maintenance and rehabilitation, sound walls and other transportation improvement projects. These funds are distributed through a 50 percent statewide competitive component and a 50% formula component. The recipients of the formulaic component were finalized in [March](#).



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Local projects receiving funding include:

- **Interstate 15 Railroad Canyon Road Interchange** The \$35 million project will widen Railroad Canyon to eight lanes and reconstruct the northbound diamond ramps to Railroad Canyon; widen Railroad Canyon southbound entrance ramp to three lanes; construct acceleration lane; reconstruct Railroad Canyon southbound exit ramp to two lanes. Riverside County Transportation Authority (RCTC) is the lead agency.
- **Calimesa and Yucaipa Capital Southeast Connector Expressway** The \$10 million project will construct four single-lane and one multi-lane roundabouts with street improvements, add pedestrian and bike facilities. The cities of Yucaipa and Calimesa are the lead agencies.
- **Ranchero Road Widening** The \$37 million project in the City of Hesperia will widen five miles of Ranchero Road to four lanes, including constructing a bridge over the California Aqueduct; widen and at-grade crossing and signalization of three intersections. The City of Hesperia is the lead agency.
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Street/5<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor Improvements** The \$7 million project in the City of Highland will construct and rehabilitate pavement; widen pavement; realign intersection; construct a new intersection; install new street lights and construct new sidewalks and bike lanes. The City of Highland is the lead agency.
- **Alder Avenue/Randall Avenue Roadway Improvements** The \$4.5 million project in the City of Rialto will provide improvements to Alder and Randall Avenues, add bike lanes, close sidewalk gaps, add vehicle turn lanes, widen mid-block travel lanes, construct medians, modify signal timing, widen Alder to four lanes, add new curbside parking and ADA-compliant facility upgrades to Randall Avenue. The City of Rialto is the lead agency.
- **Route 18 West end Widening (Phase 1)** The \$8.9 million project in the City of Apple Valley will widen Route 18 to six lanes, realign and widen Apple Valley Road, replace traffic signal, construct retaining wall and curb and sidewalk improvements. The City of Apple Valley is the lead agency.

The final approved project list, by county, for the Local Partnership Program Competitive Program can be found at

[http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/lpp/docs/2018\\_Adopted\\_CompetitiveLPP.pdf](http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/lpp/docs/2018_Adopted_CompetitiveLPP.pdf) .

More information on the Local Partnership Program can be found on the CTC's [SB 1 Local Partnership Program web page](#).



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## Solutions for Congested Corridors Program

SB 1 created the Solutions for Congested Corridors Program, which provides \$250 million annually for multimodal corridor plans that make performance improvements along the state's busiest highways. Approved projects and plans provide more transportation choices while preserving the character of the local community and creating opportunities for neighborhood enhancement projects.

The CTC approved four years' worth of funding (Fiscal years 2017-18 to 2020-21) totaling approximately \$1 billion to nine projects statewide as part of this program. These projects are valued at approximately \$3.5 billion.

Area projects receiving funding include:

- **Redlands Passenger Rail Project** The \$283 million project will construct nine miles of passenger rail between San Bernardino Transit Center and the University of Redlands (four new stations). San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) is the lead agency.

The final approved project list, by county, for the Solutions for Congested Corridors Program can be found at

[http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/sccp/docs/2018\\_Adopted\\_SCCP.pdf](http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/sccp/docs/2018_Adopted_SCCP.pdf) .

More information on the program can be found on the CTC's [SB 1 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program web page](#).

## Trade Corridor Enhancement Program

California is the nation's largest gateway for international trade and domestic commerce, and freight movement generates about a third of California's \$2.2 trillion economy. Because of its importance and expected growth, SB 1 provides \$300 million annually for projects related to the routes and transportation infrastructure vital to California's trade and freight economy. Three years' worth of funding (fiscal years 2017-20) totaling approximately \$1.4 billion was awarded to 28 projects, valued at more than \$4 billion.

Projects receiving funding include:

- **Route 60 Truck Safety Project (Phase 1A)** The \$24 million project will replace the 50-year old bridge at Moreno Beach Drive with a new six-lane bridge,



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reconfigure the north side of the route and construct auxiliary lanes. The City of Moreno Valley is the lead agency.

- **Route 395 Widening from SR 18 to Chamberlain Way** The \$52 million project will widen Route 395 from two to four lanes, construct turn lanes and install signals. San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) is the lead agency.
- **Interstate 10 Corridor (Express Lanes)** The \$625 million project will add two express lanes and auxiliary lanes. San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) is the lead agency.
- **Etiwanda Avenue Grade Separation** The \$60 million project will replace an at-grade crossing with new grade separated overcrossing and add 1,700 feet of sidewalks and bike lanes. Caltrans and the City of Rancho Cucamonga are the lead agencies.

The final approved project list, by county, for the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program can be found at [http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/tcep/docs/2018\\_Adopted\\_TCEP.pdf](http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/tcep/docs/2018_Adopted_TCEP.pdf).

More information on the program can be found on the CTC's [SB 1 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program web page](#).

The Road Repair and Accountability Act (SB 1), the landmark transportation infrastructure bill signed by Governor Brown in April 2017, invests \$54 billion over the next decade to fix roads, freeways and bridges in communities across California and puts more dollars toward transit and safety. These funds will be split equally between state and local investments. For complete details on SB 1, visit <http://www.rebuildingca.ca.gov/>.

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